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TO AMEMBASSY CARACAS PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, PARM, VE

SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN REQUEST FOR NUCLEAR ENERGY SPECIALIST

REF: (A) CARACAS 8355, (B) STATE 199022, (C) CARACAS 8833

1. BASED ON OUR REEVALUATION OF THE REQUEST AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT REF A, ERDA NOW PROPOSES TO SEND TWO SENIOR NUCLEAR EXPERTS AS OPPOSED TO ONE AS WAS STATED IN REF B. THE DURATION OF VISIT BY TEAM WOULD BE FOR A ONE WEEK PERIOD, WHICH SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT TO ADVISE THE VENEZUELANS. FURTHER, ERDA IS IN A POSITION TO FINANCE THIS TRIP.

2. WE THEREFORE PROPOSE SENDING ROBERT V. LANEY, DEPUTY  
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DIRECTOR OF THE ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY, AND A. NELSON TARDIFF, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR EVALUATION AND ANALYSIS, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, ERDA HQ. BOTH HAVE EXTENSIVE NUCLEAR ENERGY BACKGROUNDS. WE NOTE THAT IN REF C, SUGGESTED DATES FOR VISIT WERE OCTOBER 10-28.

ERDA WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7 BE

SELECTED FOR TEAM VISIT. IF THIS NOT POSSIBLE REPEAT NOT POSSIBLE SECOND CHOICE FOR TEAM VISIT WOULD BE THAT OF WEEK OF OCTOBER 24.

3. THE TEAM WILL DIRECT THEIR EFFORTS TOWARD IDENTIFYING WHAT IS REQUIRED TO DEVELOP A NATIONAL NUCLEAR PROGRAM AND HOW IT MIGHT BE DONE INCLUDING IDENTIFYING SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING. THE TEAM WILL BE BRIEFED BY ACDA IN THE DEPARTMENT BEFORE DEPARTURE.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY'S COMMENTS AS TO DISPOSITION OF VENEZUELAN RECEIVING TEAM ON PROPOSED SCHEDULED DATE. VANCE

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